

Heversham and Hincaster Neighbourhood Plan Referendum

Information Statement

A referendum relating to the adoption of the Heversham and Hincaster Neighbourhood Plan will be held on 16 February 2017. A copy of the Notice of Referendum is attached.

The question that will be asked in the Referendum is:

“Do you want South Lakeland District Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Heversham and Hincaster to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?”

The Referendum area is identified on the map, which is included with this information statement.

The Referendum area is identical to the area that has been designated as the Heversham and Hincaster Neighbourhood area.

A person is entitled to vote in the Referendum if on 31 January 2017 if:

- he or she is entitled to vote in a local government election in the Referendum area; and
- his or her qualifying address for the election is in the Referendum area. A person's qualifying address is, in relation to a person registered in the register of electors, the address in respect of which he or she is entitled to be registered.

The Referendum expenses limit that will apply in relation to the Referendum is £2406.25. The number of persons entitled to vote in the Referendum by reference to which that limit has been calculated is 750.

The Referendum will be conducted in accordance with procedures similar to those used at local government elections.

A copy of the specified documents, that is those documents listed below, may be inspected online from 9 January 2017 at <https://www.southlakeland.gov.uk/planning-and-building/south-lakeland-local-plan/neighbourhood-plans/>

Paper copies of the specified documents are also available to view from 9 January 2017 at the following locations during normal opening hours:

- South Lakeland House, Lowther Street, Kendal LA9 4UL
- Milnthorpe Library, 19 The Square, Milnthorpe LA7 7QJ

The specified documents are:

- The Heversham and Hincaster Neighbourhood Development Plan;
- Report of the independent examiner
- Summary of the representations submitted to the independent examiner
- Statement by the local planning authority that the draft plan meets the basic conditions and complies with the relevant legislation
- This information statement
- A statement that sets out general information about town and country planning including neighbourhood planning and the referendum

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